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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.121

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 10, 2001, please find the attached (marked-up) replacement paragraphs for both the specification and claims previously filed in the Patent Office on March 26, 2001.

In view of the above amendments and arguments, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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